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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

FORD'S THEATRE.

The Efficiency and Economy Commission reported in favor of tearing down Ford's Theatre, where Abraham Lincoln was shot, and although that was more than a year ago, the reporters still make a piece of "news" of the story that the building is to be abandoned and leveled to the ground. However, the War Department, which is in charge of the building, and has its destiny in keeping, has absolutely no intent or purpose to give up the structure. In fact, extensive repairs have been made on the building within recent months, and since it is well lighted and airy, and the foundation and walls firm and substantial, there is not the slightest reason to suppose that Ford's Theatre will not be used as an office building by the government for many years to come.

There are a hundred people employed by the Adjutant General's Office in the Ford Theatre building, and although the Washington Guide Book says the place contains nothing of interest I found it very interesting. For though the place has been completely remodeled since that dreadful night of April 14, 1865, when John Wilkes Booth assassinated the great Lincoln, yet I found the location of the stage, the Lincoln box, and passed through the same door by which Booth made his escape. And employed in the building I met Edwin H. Spang who went "with his girl" to Ford's Theatre, and he told me how he made use of his season pass that very night, and arrived in the theatre ten minutes before the tragedy occurred. Spang is now a gray haired old man, but he is only one of a great many veterans of the civil war who work within the gray brick walls keeping straight the war records of the men who fought for and against, the United States.

Originally the structure was a Baptist Church, which explains the peaked roof so unusual in modern building operations. As a theatre it must have been a very fine one for its day, since the auditorium was large, and it is still possible to figure out what was the location of the orchestra floor, the balcony and the "peanut gallery." These three floors now do service for office purposes. And though the alley at the rear has been changed as a result of the congestion of business, yet standing in the door through which the murderer escaped it is possible to trace the direction taken by that fleet-footed white horse that carried J. Wilkes Booth eighty miles away in his flight from the righteous wrath of a people struck almost dumb by the horror of his deed.

Perhaps the Guide Book is right when it says that Ford's Theatre "contains nothing of interest." But standing there in the center of the great building on the fifty-first anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address my attention fell upon the labels of the long rows of card files which occupy almost the entire space of three floors, and I learned that here the records of soldiers of the war of 1812, the civil war, the Spanish-American war, and the Philippine insurrection, are carefully preserved. Some of these sections are devoted to the Confederacy, and it may be a little surprising to most people to learn that the United States government has an almost complete record of the men who wore the gray. Tiers were devoted to Confederate batallions, sharp shooters, infantry, artillery and state guards, and the roster of these troops from Alabama to Virginia is as carefully kept as those of union troops. In response to the question I was informed that one of the reasons was to aid the state pensioning plans of a number of southern states, and my informant added that during the civil war northern soldiers captured a great many records of the Confederates, so that it had been found best for Uncle Sam to maintain the roster of southern troops. At the present time a representative of the state of Mississippi is engaged in copying the records for that State.

There are miles of rows of these cards, and I was struck by the fact that these gray headed old men, who work in this place evidenced a tender sentiment for these little white cards, each of which was the story of a man gone to war. The spirit of the words of Lincoln stood preserved before me:

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THE HONORED BIRTHDAY

Exercises In Honor Of Morris Pratt At Gould's Academy.

Gould's Academy Hall was filled to overflowing last Wednesday afternoon at the closing hour of school by teachers and students, residents and strangers within our gates, in recognition of the birthday of Morris Pratt.

In introducing the programme, Prin. F. E. Hanscom spoke as follows:

It has been well said that nothing in the world is so base as ingratitude. I think it may be said with equal truth that nothing more clearly indicates a truly fine character than a quick and responsive recognition of favors received and of service rendered.

Nov. 29th has come to be closely associated with Thanksgiving Day in our school calendar, for on this day, as on Thanksgiving Day, we are reminded to count our blessings; and we cannot do this without grateful recognition of one in whose memory much has been done, and is still being done for our school.

Nov. 29th is the anniversary of the birth of Morris Pratt, whose manly, earnest young life went out here among our Bethel hills; and in view of what his parents have done for our school, in his memory, it is fitting that some suitable recognition of the day be made here in the school which is the recipient of their bounty; fitting that we pause in our work long enough to impress upon our inner consciousness this thought; that no one's influence ends with life, and that the power for good of a life well-lived—however brief its space—will go on and on in increasing ratio to the end of time. I believe this is especially true of the young life whose memory we honor today.

This is but one of many lessons that may be gathered from this occasion. Others will, no doubt, be called to your attention in the address which is to follow; but for the solace of those who knew and loved Morris Pratt in life, and who still yearn for the sound of his voice, though they will always carry its echo in their hearts, I would bring those beautiful words of James Whitcomb Riley:

"I cannot say, and I will not say
That he is dead—He is just away,
With a cheery smile, and a wave of the hand,
He has wandered into an unknown land,
And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be, since he lingers there
And you—O you, who the wildest yearn
For the old-time step and the glad return,—
Think of him faring on, as dear
In the love of There as the love of Here;
Think of him still as the same, I say;
He is not dead—he is just away."

Mr. Wm. Upson, accompanied by Miss Herrick sang "The Task" and "When Love is done." Miss Blanche Herrick rendered a piano composition by Schubert.

Mrs. Gehring then spoke as follows:

OUR LITTLE DARK EARTH.

It seems to have become an unwritten law that I should bring to you young people an annual message on this beloved birthday, as well as to be the honored messenger who is permitted to be the bearer of a generous gift to this school,—in the living memory of Morris Pratt.

Four birthdays have come to him in the higher life, and this is the fourth occasion we have met to recognize and recall the beauty of his life, and the spirit with which his departure from earth has been met by the parents, who bear the never-ceasing sense of loss with sublime courage, and unselfish thought for others. Possible only to the developed Christian is such a grief so transformed into action.

Each year that we meet I feel a deepened sense of the influence this young man's life has had upon us all.

"Secure from change in their high-hearted ways," such as he, "come transfigured back"—and always, to those who love them, immortally young.

We are all of us blessed by the priceless example of the life whose birthdays we tenderly remember!

In thinking of Morris Pratt this last year I have found myself wondering

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH REUNION

Bethel, December 8th

It was a cheering sight to see Garland Chapel so well filled with old and young members of the church and interested friends on Tuesday afternoon. The hour began with some grand old hymns with Mrs. Gehring at the piano, followed by the Twenty Third Psalm repeated in unison, and a brief prayer by the Pastor.

The different secretaries then gave their reports of the church activities. Mr. Purington, the church treasurer, reported the sum of $2,100.00 of invested funds to the credit of the church. The Sunday school having the sum of $200 with accrued interest.

The Ladies' Club represented by Mrs. Purington, reported the sum of $1,000 in invested securities. Less than seven years ago this Club assumed a debt of $2,600.00 which is now cancelled.

The Christian Endeavor Society represented by Miss Ida Packard gave a most satisfactory account of their success in meeting their obligations.

In a few months Mr. Curtis' pastorate will be the longest in the history of the church for fifty years.

During these years he has preached a third of a thousand sermons; attended six hundred prayer meetings; taught a Sunday school class three hundred sessions; made two thousand calls; officiated at thirty-eight weddings, and attended nearly one hundred funerals.

When Mr. Curtis began his pastorate he asked how many boys there were in a certain class.

"Six," was the reply.

"That is well worth running a church for," said the new pastor.

Mr. Curtis is certainly a boys minister.

Not only the leader of the Knights of King Arthur and Boy Scouts, but shoulder to shoulder, has he climbed mountains, explored caves, camped out, fished, cooked, and "gone in swimming" with his boys—and sent from his influence fine manly fellows into the broader life outside our village, who will reflect him upon other boys in turn.

Today, there are few churches in our State of even larger membership that can show such a promising company of over thirty boys and girls between 10 and 15 years, in the Sunday school membership of over seventy, than our church has in its midst, for whom to work—and workers are needed!

The roll-call of one hundred and eleven names was responded to by over forty members present and many letters were read expressive of personal affection for the church.

The presence of the older members of the church was a great pleasure to those of us who rarely have chance to meet them in a social manner. The birthday of one absent lady was recognized, as the only member who has reached and passed the nineties.

The young people were delightfully gracious and attentive when the attractive and bountiful tea-table was put into action.

The bright fire crackled, the lights flooded the rooms with good cheer and animated conversation, inspired by gay music, gave a charming finale to a most encouraging and stimulating gathering of earnest workers.

FREIGHT WRECK NEAR BETHEL.

Last Thursday night while a through freight was on its way to Portland a wheel broke on one of the cars a little more than middle way of the train, derailing fourteen cars. The accident happened as the train was making the curve around Robinson Hill but the cars held the track until the last curve when they piled up about four deep making kindling wood of the under cars. Most of the cars were a total wreck only one car being put back upon the track. Fortunately no one was hurt.

Two wrecking crews besides several section crews were soon on the scene and the work of clearing the track was soon begun so that trains were going through before midnight. All of the cars were reloaded with wheat and after traffic was resumed most of the wheat was reloaded.

Any man who can make money can make friends, but he can't always keep either.

The outcome of marriage depends very largely on the income.

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Friday evening, Dec. 4, our basket ball team played the second game of the season, and were defeated by Norway High school with a score of 38 to 26.

Norway		Gould's
Smith, lb.,	rf.,	Small, Kendall
Klain, rb.,	lf.,	Chapman
Shepard, c.,	c.,	Howe
Sanderson, lf.,	lb.,	Bean
Bethel, rf.,	rb.,	Cummings
Andrews, sub.		

Goals from floor: Smith 1, Klain 1, Shepard 4, Bethel 1, Sanderson 9, Chapman 2, Howe 5, Bean 1, Kendall 1. Goals from fouls: Shepard 2, Bethel 1, Sanderson 3, Howe 6.

James Hayford is detained from school on account of illness.

Laureare Kimball spent the week end with friends in East Bethel.

Miss Ethel Cole spent the week end at her home in East Bethel.

The annual memorial service held in honor of Morris Pratt took place last Wednesday afternoon.

The declamations which were not prepared when due were presented last Friday morning.

Mrs. E. S. Kilborn and Mrs. E. C. Park visited classes at the Academy last week.

Homer Bartlett, also Robert and William Hastings spent the week end at their homes in East Bethel.

Friday evening there will be two basket ball games. The first team plays against the town team, and Norway 2nd against Gould's 2nd.

MASONIC INSTALLATION OF BETHEL LODGE, NO. 97.

Last Thursday evening Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M., held their annual installation of officers.

A very pleasing program was interspersed through the ceremony and added much to the entertainment of the evening. The program:

Piano Solo, Ernestine Philbrook
Reading, Marion Frost
Quartette, Mrs. Wight, Mrs. Rowe, Mr. Pushard, Dr. Wight
Quartett, Mrs. Wight, Mrs. Rowe, Mr. Pushard, Dr. Wight
Piano Solo, Doris Frost

The following officers were installed by D. D. G. M. Davis Lovejoy, assisted by Dr. I. H. Wight as Grand Marshall and Rev. W. C. Curtis as Grand Chaplain, in a very able efficient manner:

W. M.—True A. Eames.
S. W.—Fred B. Hall.
J. W.—Ernest F. Bisbee.
Treas.—Elmer H. Young.
Sec.—Herbert C. Rowe.
S. D.—Clarence W. Hall.
J. D.—Dellison Conroy.
S. S.—L. W. Ramsell.
J. S.—Asa L. Smith.
Chap.—Rev. W. C. Curtis.
Marsh.—Wallace W. Kilgore.
Organist—Herbert S. Pushard.
Tyler—William C. Carey.

After the exercises refreshments of sandwiches, cake, fruit and coffee were served and a social hour enjoyed by all.

COLUMBIAN CLUB LECTURE.

The second in the series of lectures planned for by the Columbian Club, will be given Thursday evening, December 10, at 8 o'clock at the Academy.

Dr. Leavitt H. Hallock, the pastor of the Pine Street Congregational Church of Lewiston gives the lecture for this month. Dr. Hallock is much sought after as a speaker on travel subjects for which his ability in speaking and his experience in travel well fit him. The members of the Columbian Club feel that those who attended the talk given by Dr. Tubbs will be equally well pleased with this. The subject is "The Panama Canal."

The purpose of these lectures is solely to provide an interesting and instructive evening's entertainment for the Academy students, for the club members and for all those who enjoy such things. The last lecture was apparently much appreciated by the audience but not quite enough was realized from the sale of tickets to pay the expenses although several were very generous in helping to make up the deficit.

Come to the lecture. Admission 25 cents.

CHRISTMAS SALE.

There will be a sale of Hand Made fancy work at Carver's store, Friday and Saturday P. M., Dec. 11 and 12.

GRANGE NEWS

PARIS GRANGE.

The following officers were chosen by Paris Grange for the ensuing year:

Master—A. M. Ryerson.
Overseer—Frank Dudley.
Lecturer—A. E. Morse.
Steward—Ernest Talbot.
Asst. Steward—Austin P. Stearns, Jr.
Chaplain—John S. Brown.
Treasurer—W. E. Twitchell.
Secretary—Chas. Edwards.
Gate Keeper—B. F. Hicks.
Ceres—Clara Ryerson.
Pomona—Annie Wheeler.
Flora—Hattie Bailey.
L. A. Steward—Ida Sturtevant.
Librarian—Nellie Mason.
Chorister—Clara Ryerson.

The birthday box was opened and $18.25 were found in it. Next meeting Dec. 19th.

BEAR MOUNTAIN GRANGE.

Nov. 28th was the 41st anniversary of Bear Mountain Grange. An all day meeting with a program in the afternoon by the children. A dance in the evening, where young and old enjoyed themselves. Next meeting will be annual election of officers, and usual yearly business.

MOUNTAIN VIEW GRANGE.

Mountain View Grange, No. 437, held its regular meeting, Tuesday evening, Dec. 1. One name was voted upon favorably. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Master—W. C. Newell.
Overseer—A. R. Bryant.
Lecturer—Mrs. Mary E. Fagan.
Steward—A. A. Newell.
Asst. Steward—A. T. Heath.
Chaplain—Mrs. A. D. Wight.
Treasurer—F. A. Wight.
Secretary—Mrs. A. A. Newell.
Gate Keeper—A. D. Wight.
Ceres—Mrs. W. C. Newell.
Pomona—Mrs. Eva DeCoster.
Flora—Miss Edna Wight.
L. A. Steward—Mrs. A. T. Heath.
Organist—Miss Lucia Peabody.

OXFORD POMONA GRANGE.

Tuesday, Dec. 1st was election and installation at Oxford County Pomona at South Paris Grange Hall. All the past year officers were re-elected with the exception of Secretary, Mrs. S. A. Jackson, who has been the Secretary for the past 17 years and proved herself so worthy, much to the regret of all felt obliged to resign the office. Mrs. Clara Ryerson takes her place. Officers for 1915:—

Master—J. Henry Edwards, Otisfield.
Overseer—Leslie McIntire, East Waterford.
Lecturer—A. M. Ryerson, So. Paris.
Steward—Harold S. Pike, Waterford.
Asst. Steward—Arthur Buck, Norway.
Gate Keeper—Herman Mason, Bethel.
Secretary—Clara Ryerson, So Paris.
Treasurer—Charles Edwards, So. Paris.
Chaplain—G. W. Sias, Waterford.
Pomona—Lizzie Hall, E. Waterford.
Flora—Edith McIntire, E. Waterford.
Ceres—Lizzie Pike, Norway.
L. A. Steward—Hattie Buck, Norway.

No programme, as business filled the session. Next meeting at Norway first Tuesday in January.

FRANKLIN GRANGE.

Franklin Grange held its regular meeting, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 5. Voted to have a box dinner, Dec. 19. The following program was given:—

Music, Franklin Grange Quartet
Reading, Claude Cushman
Question—Which is the wiser farmer—the one who neglects his work by continually leaving it, or the one who never goes away from home to see what others are doing?
Reading, Mrs. Ackley
Music, Franklin Grange Quartet

ROCKEMEKAH GRANGE.

Rockemekah Grange has begun to hold all day meetings and will continue through the winter. The program of Nov. 28 consisted of vocal and instrumental music, reading and stories. The entertainment committee is holding a series of public dances which are largely attended and greatly enjoyed, and which adds a goodly sum to the treasury. They also have a drama in course of preparation to be given in the spring.

The Grange Sewing Circle has recently been reorganized with the following officers:—President, May F. Robinson; Vice President, Grace Conant; Secretary, M. Luela Walker; Treasurer, Mildred Walker; Work Committee, Grace Conant, Mildred Haines, Hattie Kidder. The Circle will hold meetings once in two weeks and during the winter will meet at the homes of the members.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE.

Pleasant Valley Grange, No. 130, held its regular meeting, Tuesday evening, and elected the following officers for the year of 1915:

Master—D. W. Cushing.
Overseer—Lon Sumner.
Lecturer—Emma Mills.
Steward—J. P. Mather.
Asst. Steward—Lloyd Buxton.
Chaplain—Betsey Morrill.
Secretary—Harry Head.
Treasurer—Mrs. W. A. Farwell.
Gate Keeper—Elmer Stearns.
Ceres—Bertha Sumner.
Pomona—Nellie Bennett.
Flora—Maggie Lowell.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said Bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the twelfth day of January, 1915, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier.
Bethel, Me., December 1st, 1914.
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ERROR IN DATE OF BREEDERS' MEETING.

The meetings of the various live stock breeders' associations will be held at Orono, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 22 and 23, 1914. An error was made in the last letter sent which stated that the dates were earlier in the week.

The State Associations hold their meetings Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 22, and the general association is in session from 10.30 A. M., Tuesday, until 4.00 P. M., Wednesday the 23rd.

RALPH W. ABBMAN,
Secretary Maine Live Stock Breeders' Association.

According to Cicero, everyone is at least known to himself, and the most difficult task is to get acquainted with one's own character.

All passions are good when one masters them; all are bad when one is a slave to them.

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines, 1 week, 25c. 3 weeks 50c.

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NOTICE TO THE SICK.
The sick needing care will find pleasant rooms with Mrs. L. M. Abbott, Bethel. Inquire of Drs. Wight and Tibbetts.
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FOR SALE—Two colts, one two years old and one three, which is broken to drive in sleigh or carriage.
MRS. J. C. BILLINGS,
Bethel, Maine.

Typewriter to let by the week or month, 50c per week, $2.00 per month. Inquire at
CITIZEN OFFICE,
Bethel, Maine.

FOR SALE—The Century Dictionary, 10 volumes. The "Century" is used as the highest authority by the U. S. Government. A rare chance. Inquire of
J. H. LITTLE,
12-10-1t-p. Bethel, Me.

WANTED—Every woman to know that she can have her old Pony coat made into a first-class, stylish, loose fitting garment for a moderate amount of money, also all other kinds of fur remodelling.
T. J. MURPHY,
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Special to Our Readers

Maine is to have new poultry magazine. First issue will be for January, 1915. It will be right up to date and its name will be the

Pine Tree Poultry Herald

Published at Belfast, Maine

It is what the poultry industry of Maine has long needed, a medium through which the people may learn how successful poultrymen gather their profits, for it is true that "the hen that lays is the hen that pays", and that "the hens of Maine are kept for gain," is shown by the thousands of successful poultrymen in our state.

The PINE TREE POULTRY HERALD will be the organ through which the poultry department at the State University will tell of their successful experiments and discoveries, and keep the reader posted on the latest up-to-date methods.

A splendid corps of Maine writers from farm, city and poultry plant, keepers of small and large flocks, will tell in each issue how they have achieved success, tell it in every-day language.

In the first issue a Belfast working man, employed in the shoe factory, will tell how he cleared $900.00 net profit in one year from 400 high grade hens.

This issue will also tell how the publishers are prepared to start any honest adult or child, without capital on their part, in the poultry business, with stock from the above yards, and other profit-making and prize winning strains, thus opening wide a door of opportunity for thousands. As high as $25.00 cash will be paid for best cocks and hens raised from this stock. This is guaranteed by The Herald Publishing Co.

Every issue will be worth more to any keeper of a flock of hens than the cost of a year's subscription.

You will be proud of its artistic appearance, legible printing, etc., for the latest up-to-date machinery has been bought to perform the mechanical work. It will be printed in a printing plant costing over $15,000.

The subscription price will be 75 cents a year. But to secure a large number of subscriptions in advance of the first issue, the publishers have made as a rate so low that any one of our readers can have the PINE TREE POULTRY HERALD, and the OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN a year, for only $1.50.

If in arrears, pay for a year, or if paid up, pay in advance, and you are eligible to accept this offer.

Remember, that this is for your immediate acceptance. After the first issue, the price will be straight 75 cents. Send in your order now.

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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Mr. Frank Billings boards at Mrs. Cynthia Holt's.

Mrs. John F. Coolidge is quite ill with tonsilitis.

Miss Mae Wiley is spending the week in Portland.

Wallace Coolidge visited his parents on Kimball Hill, Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Holt went to the hospital last Friday for a slight operation.

Mrs. Olive Wood was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Edith Grover, last week.

Mrs. McKenney has returned to stay with her aunt, Mrs. Florilla Richardson.

Mrs. O. M. Mason closed her house Wednesday and will spend the winter in California.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. G. P. Bean, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Mrs. T. J. Foster and Miss Hattie Foster are boarding at Mr. Fritz Goddard's this winter.

Mrs. Howard Thurston has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Young, in Norway.

Mrs. John Swan and her daughter, Miss Sylvia Swan, were in Lewiston, Saturday, shopping.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. W. C. Curtis, Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 15th, at three o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Brown visited their son and family, Sunday, Mr. Carl Brown, on Chapman street.

Mr. Fred Tibbetts was unable to be at his duties in the bank several days last week on account of illness.

Miss Ethel Richardson, who has been spending several weeks with her aunt at Norway, has returned home.

The Columbian Club are very fortunate in securing Dr. Leavitt H. Hallock, pastor of the Pine Street Congregational Church of Lewiston, for the second lecture to be given at the Academy, Thursday evening, December 10 at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. J. G. Gehring was in Norway, Monday.

Mrs. Grace Day has gone to Portland for a few days.

Mr. Roscoe Gross spent Sunday with his parents in Portland.

Mr. Paul C. Thurston was in Boston on business the first of the week.

Mr. Edward King has returned from a business trip to Pellamere, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young spent the week end with relatives in town.

Mrs. Forbes of Bryant's Pond took dinner with Mrs. Chas. Cole, Saturday.

Miss Gwendolyn Godwin was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Brown at South Paris, recently.

Miss Helen Wight of Gorham, N. H., spent the week end with her aunt, Mrs. Mina Harriman.

Miss Alice Mason left for Melrose, Mass., Wednesday, where she will spend the winter.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Frank Kendall, Thursday afternoon at 2.30.

Mr. Harold Hastings of Dorchester, Mass., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hastings.

Mr. Eliphalet Blake of Island Pond, Vt., was in town, Monday, to visit his sister, Miss Lillian Blake.

Miss Talbot was called to her home in Vinal Haven, Me., Monday, by the sudden illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Kilborn have closed their cottage at Songo Pond and will spend the winter in Portland.

Mrs. Sophronia and Mrs. Evelyn Coburn returned Saturday from Hallowell where they have been visiting relatives.

Steven Abbott went to Bangor, Monday to attend the Dairymen's Association and Seed Improvement Society which meets there this week.

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CHRISTMAS IS IN THE AIR

Visit our store and see our large stock of useful and attractive novelties.

Our line of Handkerchiefs and White Aprons will surely please every lady.

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This store is showing a splendid assortment of gifts to suit every purse and taste. By early purchases and careful buying the imported goods were nearly all obtained before the supply in this country at the outbreak of the war was exhausted.

Prices on most articles now in stock are no higher on account of the war. The policy of this store is to sell as low as possible and no increase in price is made until it is necessary.

Call or write for your copy of the Gift Book for this year, if you have not already received one. It is yours for the asking and contains many suggestions as to gifts.

Jewelry, Silverware, Stationery, Leather Goods, Fancy Dry Goods, Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Toys, Games, Sleds, Calendars, Fountain Pens, Embroidery Goods, Cards, Etc., Etc.

Watch this space next week for more detailed advertisement or, better still, come in, look around and see for yourself.

Shop Early applies this year more than ever before as the depleted and in some lines exhausted stocks of imported goods in the jobbing centers renders it difficult if not impossible to secure reorders. So remember, "Shop Early".

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Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF FIRE.

By Agnes Athol and Agnes Blackwell Rainey

(Continued from last week.)

Remember to protect the face by throwing the arms across it if the clothing catches fire. Otherwise the flames, in leaping up, will be breathed in through the mouth or nostrils, and suffocation will be the result. Children particularly, should be taught this. In many Fourth-of-July accidents, where exploding powder has ignited the child's clothing, not the burns themselves but suffocation from the flames has been the cause of death.

If you are caught on the second floor and the stairway is made impassable by dense smoke or flames, make for the nearest window, shutting every door behind you. If you know of a window opening on a porch roof or balcony, try to reach it and attract attention. If you have time to pass the water supply on the second floor, wet your handkerchief and hold it over your mouth and nose—it will keep you from becoming suffocated. Smoke ascends, so keep on the floor if it is so thick you have to grope your way toward a window. Don't try to save anything but your own life and that of your dear ones. But if you have discovered a fire early enough and dealt with it promptly, you will never have to face such an emergency as this.

The simplest, cheapest, and most effectual fire extinguisher ever invented is a pail of water. One or more fire pails of the regulation ten-quart size, painted red and labeled fire, should be kept on the second floor of every home, near the head of the stairs. It goes without saying that the fire pail should always be filled, the water being renewed once a week. The best way to handle this pail of water is not to throw it at the flame, however—your aim may not be accurate and there may not be time to fill another pail—but dip up a broom in the water and attack the fire with the wet broom. A broom will hold a lot of water and will spatter it over a surface in a few minutes, and, moreover, the wet broom will help to beat it down without burning the hands.

Always have an extra broom on the second floor of your house whether you ever need it for fire fighting or not. You will find it a great step-saver for those who do not have fire-pails because they spoil the appearance of [illegible], or because the children [illegible] with them, a good suggestion is to have a high, narrow closet at the [illegible] the strategic point. [illegible] or to partition off a part of the linen closet handily [illegible] the second floor landing [illegible] this closet, each containing a fire-pail, and on the door, which should have no lock, keep the [illegible] No other [illegible] should be allowed in [illegible] Every child and servant [illegible] be made to know how to use the broom and pails in dealing with [illegible] Moreover, overnight guests should [illegible] preventive operation pointed out to them.

For serious battle of fire, water should not be used. In the case of a chimney fire, where [illegible] the heated bricks and gases the fire is trying to pour forth, and the flames and smoke the room. Also throw down a flue or from the roof to bottom, each will also answer.

To be continued.

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SOCIETY.

Society is full of failures that need never have been made; full of men who have never succeeded; full of women who in the first half of their days did nothing but eat and sleep and simper, and in the last half have done nothing but perpetuate their follies and weakness. The world is full, we say, of people; full of men in every trade and profession, who do not amount to anything, and we do not speak irreverently and we trust not without due charity, without making due allowance for the inevitable in life, when we say that God and thoughtful men are weary of their presence. Every boy ought to improve on his father; every girl grow into a nobler, gentler, more self-denying womanhood than the mother. No production of former types will give the world the perfect types. We know not where the Millennium is, as measured by distance of time; but we do know, and so do you, that it is a great way off as measured by human growth and expansion. We have no such men and women yet as age has ever had, nor, as shall stand on the earth in that age of peace that will not come until men are worthy of it.

Young men!—Young women! Don't let your lives be failures. Make the best of what God has given you. Let your gratitude to Him for life and its noble endowments, be exerted in a full devotion of will, and thought, and strength, to whatever work He brings in His wise providence to your hand. And remember, that it is only good and joyful work that He provides. Shun evil work—work that harms your neighbor in any way, as you would shun the deadliest thing. No true success ever comes from evil work. It may bring a harvest of golden apples and purple grapes; but the apples will be like those of Sodom, full of bitter ashes, and the grapes sour.

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CANTON

C. E. Lane has returned from Jay, where he has been for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Bryant are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Dec. 1st. (Elsie Estelle.)

The Universalist Circle met at the vestry, Thursday, for work. The next meeting will be held in two weeks with Mrs. Eleanor Westgate.

G. H. Strout will soon move his family to Rumford, where he has employment.

Mrs. Louis Magner Davis and children of Jackson, N. H., have been visiting her father, Willis Magner, of the Point.

Miss Mary I. Richardson has been visiting Mrs. Harold Parsons of Hartford.

Miss Ellie I. Fuller of Canton passed away, Thursday, Dec. 3, after only a few days illness of pneumonia. Miss Fuller was born at North Turner in May, 1850, the daughter of Ellen Fuller and Elzara Hood Fuller. She was one of five children, Welcome F. Fuller, who passed away about two years ago; Eugene, who died in infancy; Edna, who died about thirty years ago, and Lillian, who married W. Ellery Dresser, proprietor of the Revere House, Canton, and is the only one surviving. Miss Fuller had lived all her life in North Turner and in years past was a school teacher. She came to Canton twelve years ago with Mr. and Mrs. Dresser and had since made her home here. Miss Fuller and sister had always been inseparable companions and her sudden death comes as a sad blow to the surviving sister, who has the sympathy of a large circle of friends in Canton and Turner. The funeral was held from the home, Monday, at ten o'clock, Rev. Wm. A. Kelley of Livermore Falls officiating. The interment was at North Turner.

An attractive new sign has been placed on Odd Fellows block by Androscoggin Lodge, the work of Charles R. Swett.

Word has been received of the death of Mr. Williams, father of Charles Williams, of Washington, D. C.

Bert Dodge shot two deer and Harris Jones one, last week, not far from their homes.

Mrs. M. J. Howes and children have been ill with tonsilitis.

Miss Barter of Tenant's Harbor is a guest at the home of Rev. A. G. Murray.

Mrs. Frank Fogg of Boston is a guest of her sister in-law, Mrs. Geo. W. Carson, of Pleasant street.

The second degree was conferred on two candidates at the meeting of Androscoggin Lodge, Wednesday evening.

New Century Pomona Grange met with Canton Grange this week, Wednesday, when election of officers took place.

Mrs. A. W. Ellis is able to be out since her recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. York have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Oldham of Rollinsville.

Miss Vera Hodge is at home from Auburn, where she has been at work.

Mrs. J. P. Henry has been quite ill.

The S. L. Club held a social and entertainment at the Universalist Church, Friday evening. A recitation was given by Evelyn Woodward; "Seven Days in a Week," by seven small girls, each one representing a day of the week; recitation, Herschel Ellis; vocal solo, Eleanor Westgate, with violin accompaniment by Arthur Westgate. After the entertainment a social was held, games and contests being enjoyed, candy and corn balls were on sale.

The annual meeting of the Androscoggin Valley Agricultural Society was held at the Grange Hall, Monday.

Miss Nina Russell has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Lucy Elliott, of North Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Hewett of Boston have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Roberts and family, and other relatives in this vicinity.

Miss Augusta Booker of Sabattus is teaching school at East Hartford in place of Miss Alma Holbrook, who resigned on account of ill health.

Mrs. C. E. Richardson and daughter, Mary, were at Livermore Falls, Saturday.

John A. Hodge Relief Corps elected the following officers Tuesday afternoon:—President, Mrs. Flora Hodge; Vice President, Mrs. Evie B. York; Secretary, Mrs. Martha J. Childs; Treasurer, Mrs. Estella C. Briggs; Conductress, Mrs. Abbie Proctor; Guard, Mrs. Alma Towle; Chaplain, Mrs. Eunice Oldham; Past President, Mrs. Flora York.

G. L. Wallin, Nathan Reynolds, M. A. Waite, S. B. Ellis and O. S. Waite are on a hunting excursion up country.

Ruth Henry has been ill with tonsilitis.

Mrs. Costella Fletcher of High street is confined to the house by illness.

Eugene Hiscock of Farmington has been a guest of his daughter, Mrs. G. A. Ellis and family, at Gilbertville.

Mabel Hines is in poor health.

Friends in town have received cards announcing the birth of a daughter, Margaret Colkins, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Colkins, on Nov. 22, at Harvard, Mass. Mrs. Colkins was formerly Miss Florence Wyman and well known in Canton, where her parents have a summer cottage.

Mrs. Marjorie Dority is spending a couple of weeks in Wilton visiting her relatives.

Charles Standley is home from New Hampshire for a visit.

Wilma Emery Roberts entertained on her eighth birthday, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hewett of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Powers, Miss Viola Tilley, Miss Eleanor Patterson, Dwight Parsons and Earl Tilley. At seven o'clock a venison supper was served with all "the fixin's," fruit, nuts, etc. The home was decorated for the occasion and music and games were enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Henry Libee of Dixfield has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Childs, of the Point.

Rev. W. A. Kelley of Livermore Falls and Mr. Bradley of Woodfords, State Supt., will hold meetings at the Universalist Church on the afternoons and evenings of Friday and Saturday. A clam chowder and baked bean supper will be served to the public at the usual hour, Friday night.

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Misses Ruth Farrington and Janis Jefferds were in Bethel, Saturday, to attend a teachers meeting.

Mrs. D. S. York of Bethel visited with Mrs. C. R. Bartlett, Thursday and Friday.

A. R. Stowell was in South Paris on business, recently.

Mrs. Ruth Young is a guest of relatives at Mechanic Falls for a few days.

Harold Crooker of South Paris visited with his mother, Mrs. Ida Crooker, the week end.

Charles Hill of Bryant's Pond is working in the mill here.

Mrs. J. C. Littlefield was in Bethel, Friday.

Mrs. Bennett of South Paris was a guest of relatives and friends the week end.

Mrs. L. P. Bryant and Mrs. C. R. Bartlett attended grange at Bryant's Pond.

Mrs. Charles Brown was in West Paris, Saturday.

Mrs. Nina Goodwin visited relatives at Norway the week end.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1914.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The annual meeting of the directors of the Maine General Hospital was held Tuesday and Dr. Charles D. Smith, resident physician and superintendent, reported that 180 died in the hospital from accidents during the year and 1172 recovered. The report of the Treasurer, Edward D. Noyes showed receipts of $123,089 and expenses of $81,511. The need of more funds and a suitable isolation ward was emphasized. The old directors were re-elected.

The moose season closed in Maine at midnight, Dec. 1. A total of 54 moose have been received in Bangor up to the present, compared with 49 for a corresponding period last year and 60 the year before. If the recommendations of the inland fish and game commission are adopted by the incoming legislature, there will not be another open season on moose for several years.

The Kelley Spear Company of Bath, Me., has been awarded the contract for the construction of two large coal barges for the Staples Transportation Company of Fall River, Mass. One will have a carrying capacity of 3500 tons and the other 2300 tons. These two barges will mean continuous employment at the yard for at least ten months. Hundreds of mechanics who have been idle for months will benefit.

The sardine canning season closed Monday night and Eastport now estimates that the season's pack will fall short about 500,000 cases, with a pack of not over 1,500,000 cases. No herring were received Monday and the packing season was over several days ago for most of the factories. Two Eastport factories are preparing for the clam canning season and expect a good run.

The manuscript for the history of Rockfield has been completed and the contract for printing the book will be let early this winter. Judge C. F. Whitman who with the late Alfred Cole prepared the manuscript will have the oversight of the printing and distribution of copies. The history of Rockfield will be a volume of about 500 pages, finely illustrated with some 100 cuts and it is said to be one of the very fullest in early historical incident, ever written. The appearance of the work will be welcomed by all interested in the town and its development.

The canned lobster industry of Newfoundland and Canada has been hard hit by the European war. As Germany is the largest consumer of this product, the principal market has been cut off. A case of 48 tins which brought $24 in Newfoundland before the war, now cannot be sold for more than eight or ten dollars. Ordinarily the returns from the industry amount to about $3,000,000 a year in Canada and half a million dollars in Newfoundland. Many of those interested favor the enforcing of a close season on lobsters during the whole of next year, thus taking advantage of the opportunity to replenish the famines, which have been greatly depleted by extravagant methods of lobster fishing.

The New England State tax officials held the closing session of their fourth annual conference here [illegible] in the tax commission at Augusta. The speakers were W. H. Corbin, tax commissioner of Connecticut, who spoke upon "Methods of Determining Values of Real Estate," (a) "Two methods in use in Maine," (b) "Assessing Rate of Taxation Prescribed by State Tax Officials," and Theodore N. Weddell of the Massachusetts bureau of statistics, whose subject was "The Expenditure of Tax Income, and Its Audit." The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

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Executive Committee—The three aforesaid officers and Jeremiah P. Mahoney, a tax official of Rhode Island, A. J. Heaton of Vermont, W. H. Corbin, tax commissioner of Connecticut.

George I. Giddings of Augusta, who has been elected clerk of the Public Utilities Commission at a salary of $3500 a year was born in the town of China in 1874. He graduated in 1895 at Farmington Normal School. For seven years he was associated with Civil Engineer William B. Getchell of Augusta. Mr. Giddings entered the office of the State Railroad Board in 1900 as general clerk of the board. In 1905 he was appointed assistant clerk, succeeding Francis Peaks of Dover. In 1909 he was made clerk of the board to fill the vacancy due to the death of Col. Enoch C. Farrington.

The crops produced on the farm at the Bangor State hospital during the past season represent a value of $11,000 according to the estimate made by William Thompson, steward at the institution, who has general supervision of all matters pertaining to the commissary of the big hospital. Each year better methods and more care and attention to the farm department shows most gratifying results, and when the officials of the institution go before the State Legislature this winter for additional appropriations for increased efficiency along these lines, they will have figures based on facts to give strength to their claims. The farm crops at the hospital this year were somewhat in excess of the previous season and all showed excellent quality. Thirty acres of the large tract of land occupied by the hospital is devoted to the gardens, where vegetables for consumption at the institution are raised and the remainder of the tillage land, some 80 or 90 acres is devoted to hay, grain and potatoes.

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No Longer To Investigate Deaths Due To Railroad Accidents.

"A coroner no longer has the power to investigate deaths due to railroad accidents," State Assistant Attorney General Roscoe T. Holt of Portland in a decision rendered Friday in response to a query made by Henry W. Plummer, an Augusta coroner.

The letter of the assistant attorney general to Mr. Plummer covering the matter is as follows:

"In answer to your recent inquiry in regard to the duties of coroners in investigation of death due to accidents on railroads under the law creating the Public Service Commission it appears clear that the new law takes the investigations of such accidents out of the hands of coroners and places it with the Public Service Commission.

"In Section 33 of Chapter 129 of the Public Laws of 1913, which creates the Public Service Commission, the section of the Revised Statutes Section 63 of Chapter 92, requiring coroners to hold an inquest, is especially repealed.

"Section 33 states that "in the event of an accident resulting in the loss of human life occurring upon the premises of any public utility or directly or indirectly arising from or connected with its maintenance or operation, the commission shall cause an investigation thereof to be made forthwith."

"The coroner no longer has the power to investigate deaths due to railroad accidents. If the death occurred on railroad property and was not caused by the operation or the maintenance of the railroad, the commission would have no authority to investigate. In such a case it would be the duty of the coroner to hold an inquest under Chapter 129, Section 1 of the Revised Statutes, if the case was such as to constitute such action and the death occurred elsewhere.

"Undoubtedly the commission will make rules as to this matter and should it appear that the death was due to violence and not due to the operation or maintenance of the railroad, the commission would notify the county attorney who may call in a coroner for an inquest."

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Portland, Maine.

EAST BETHEL.

Rev. J. E. Cummings, D. D. American Baptist Missionary, of Burma, was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Porter Farwell and family of East Bethel. Mr. Cummings boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Farwell 28 years ago while supplying the East Bethel and Middle Intervale churches. His many friends were pleased to meet him again, and much enjoyed a very interesting talk of his work among the Burma people. Mr. and Mrs. Cummings are spending a year's vacation at Newton, Mass., where they have five children in school. Mr. Cummings began his work in Burma in 1887. American Baptist mission work began in Burma in 1813, a centennial celebration was held in 1913, which presented Mr. Cummings with a medal for his devoted work. The system today includes 976 churches, nine high schools, three normal schools, two theological seminaries, two bible schools, thirty-two boarding schools, 686 day schools and 576 Sunday schools, a product of the last century.

HANOVER.

Mrs. Nancy Silver and Frank Russell, who have been under the doctor's care, are better at this writing.

Everett Billings and John Morse have gone to Grafton, hunting.

Mrs. F. L. Howe came home Sunday much improved in health.

L. A. Roberts is the champion deer hunter of this place. Friday morning he started for his work and hadn't been gone from the house over fifteen minutes when he returned with an eight-point buck that dressed off two hundred and ten pounds.

C. F. Saunders and wife intend to go to the State Grange at Lewiston next week.

The school here in the village is to begin this week.

The snow has nearly all left us and we are having nice warm weather.

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EAST PERU.

Mrs. Adaline Randall, who has been visiting Mrs. H. A. Chase, has returned home.

Mrs. M. L. Walker has been sewing a few days for Mrs. C. S. Luce.

Carl and Guy Holman have been on a hunting trip to Roxbury Notch.

Mrs. A. M. Coolidge of East Dixfield is at work for L. E. Irish.

Mrs. Carl Holman recently spent a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McIntire, at West Peru.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Irish have been spending a two weeks vacation with friends at Auburn, Winthrop and Portland.

Will Bryant and son, Dwinell, and Roscoe Robinson have been up to the Lakes on a hunting trip.

Ben Irish has taken a birch job at Redding. Cephas Irish, Harry Oldham and Guy Johnson have gone to work for him.

Mr. A. L. Jacques and family have been to Lancaster, N. H., to attend the funeral of his mother.

Miss Mamie Hadley of Norway is keeping house for her uncle, W. H. Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Oldham recently spent the day at Livermore.

There has been fine skating on Worthley Pond which was greatly enjoyed by the young people.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Susan E. Douglass late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ARTHUR G. DOUGLASS.
November 17th, 1914.
11-26-3t.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Martha A. Littlehale late of Newry in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ALANSON C. LITTLEHALE.
November 17th, 1914.
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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said county, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of December, A. D. 1914, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Mehitable A. Grover late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Fletcher I. Bean, the executor therein named.

Leander T. Barker late of Bethel, deceased; petition for determination of collateral inheritance tax presented by Ellery C. Park, administrator d. b. n. with the will annexed.

Melissa S. Cressey late of Buckfield, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Ulysses G. Haskell, administrator.

Melissa S. Cressey late of Buckfield, deceased; petition for determination of collateral inheritance tax presented by Ulysses G. Haskell, administrator.

Ida E. Bartlett late of Denmark, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Charles E. Cobb, administrator.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,
Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest:
ALBERT D. PARK,
Register
11-26-3t.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Charles C. Farwell late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

HENRY M. FARWELL.
November 17th, 1914.
11-26-3t.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Caroline Nadeau late of Rumford in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

MRS. EMMA DUNTON.
November 17th, 1914.
11-26-3t.

Woman's Love and Man's Love.

"There's just two things that break up most happy homes," observed a philosopher.

"What's them?" inquired a listener.

"Woman's love for dry goods an' man's love for wet goods."—Hershey's Weekly.

RUMFORD

One of the pleasant so... last week was the recep... Wednesday evening in ... the Business Men's Club ... light Club of Rumford to... of the town and other i... About seventy were pres... most cordially greeted b... A. Greene, president of ... Mrs. W. H. S. Ellingwoo... dent of the club. Mr. H... pianist, and Mr. Louis ... ist, furnished the instru... of the evening, while a ... program of vocal selectio... by Miss Jean Moir, Mrs. ... and Miss Dorothy Linnell... dancing was enjoyed by ... late hour. Refreshments, sherbet, cake, candies an... served during the evening.

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Fred Bernier of Rum... guest of friends in Lewi...

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RUMFORD

One of the pleasant social affairs of last week was the reception given on Wednesday evening in the rooms of the Business Men's Club by the Searchlight Club of Rumford to the teachers of the town and other invited guests. About seventy were present, and were most cordially greeted by Mrs. John A. Greene, president of the club, and Mrs. W. H. S. Ellingwood, vice president of the club. Mr. Rand Dunham, pianist, and Mr. Louis Cohen, violinist, furnished the instrumental music of the evening, while a most pleasing program of vocal selections were given by Miss Jean Moir, Mrs. Lester Cowan, and Miss Dorothy Linnell, after which dancing was enjoyed by all until a late hour. Refreshments of orange sherbet, cake, candies and nuts were served during the evening.

An early morning fire on Thursday last badly damaged the wooden block on Exchange street, owned by Mrs. Emma Cheney of Lewiston. It was occupied on the basement and first floor by the Ideal Lunch Rooms, and above by the Oxford Printing Co. The fire was discovered in the basement by the chef, John McChord, and caught near the stove, evidently above the chimney. The fire went to the roof and badly damaged one side of the building.

A debate on suffrage at the High school during the coming week, will be in the nature of a preparation for the interschool debate to come off later in the year.

Miss Susan Jewett has been quite ill at the home of Mrs. I. W. Allen on Franklin street.

On Tuesday of this week was held a fair and sale at the Baptist Church by the Ladies' Aid connected with that church, and a supper was also a part of the day's program.

William B. Carroll of Calgary, Canada Northwest, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Carroll, of Franklin street.

Fred Bernier of Rumford is the guest of friends in Lewiston.

On Thursday evening last, Mrs. Harry L. Elliott entertained three tables of auction at her home on Washington street in honor of Miss Mary Hegarty, who is the guest of friends in town. At the close of the evening's game, Miss Ella Ames was the winner of the first prize, which was a linen doiley with elaborate crocheted edge, and Miss Hegarty received the consolation, it being a very intelligent looking little toy dog. During the evening a very nice lunch was served by Mrs. Elliott, and the company departed about midnight, voting it a very jolly time, and expressing much pleasure at seeing Miss Hegarty once again among her old friends and former surroundings.

Charles D. Howard of Haverhill, Mass., is visiting friends in town.

Jack Gillan, who has been wanted by Fred E. Stevens, Sheriff of Androscoggin County for some time past to answer to several charges against him, was arrested in Rumford on Thursday last by the local police and handed over to Sheriff Stevens on that day.

A regular conclave of Strathglass Commandery, K. T., was held on Friday evening of last week with a good attendance of Sir Knights. There was a rehearsal and drill of guards.

Miss Edna G. Lord is substituting at the public library for Miss Susan Jewett during her illness with neuralgia in the head and eyes.

Miss Alice Monroe, a former Virginia teacher, is the guest of Mrs. George Lapham.

The Boy Scouts of Rumford and Mexico were instructed in first aid and nursing by Miss Esther Ulschoeffour, head nurse of the District Nursing Association, at their meeting at the Baptist Church on Wednesday evening of last week. This instruction was in line with a series of addresses given on kindred topics by local physicians and others who are interested in this boy's movement.

The Maine Conference Itinerants' Institute of the Methodist Church will meet for a three days' conference in the Methodist Church of this place, Dec. 14th to 16th. This Institute is the occasion for the semi-annual examination of candidates for the ministry, and they with their examiners will be in attendance. Bishop John W. Hamilton of Boston, who presides at the next session of the Maine Conference, has signified his intention to attend the Institute, and will be one of the evening speakers. A program open to the public, will be rendered at the afternoon and evening hours during the institute, and many of the Methodist leaders of Maine will be present. The local committee in charge of the entertainment of the visitors, consists of William H. Soule, Chairman, Mrs. Ralph T. Parker, and Mrs. Fred Sweetsir.

Mrs. W. H. S. Ellingwood entertained the Searchlight Club on Friday afternoon last at her home on Franklin street.

Miss Laura Vincent has finished clerking in the E. K. Day store.

The annual meeting of the Rumford Chamber of Commerce was held on Monday evening of this week in the rooms of the Business Men's Club.

Charles Gonya and Miss Olive Lamb were united in marriage at St. Jean de Baptiste Church by Rev. Fr. LaFlamme on Thursday morning last. Mr. Gonya is an employee of Gauthier Bros.

Mrs. F. E. Wheet entertained the members of the Eastern Star in the Masonic rooms on Friday afternoon of last week.

Mrs. Elton Rawley has resumed her duties in the Telephone Exchange, after an illness of several weeks.

Miss Helen Cushman is clerking in the store of the Woolworth Co.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lempert are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter.

A poverty masquerade ball will be given on Friday evening of this week by the ladies of the Virginia District in the new hall.

Mrs. Charles Derry entertained the members of the Gink Club on Friday evening last at her home in the Virginia District. Delightful refreshments were served during the evening, and a very pleasant time enjoyed.

A National ticket machine has been installed in the Majestic Theatre, and is the first of its kind in the State of Maine. The ticket seller, by pressing a button, records the amount of the purchase, and the pressing of another button pushes the number of tickets out for the purchaser. At any moment the manager can see how many tickets have been sold and how much money has been taken in.

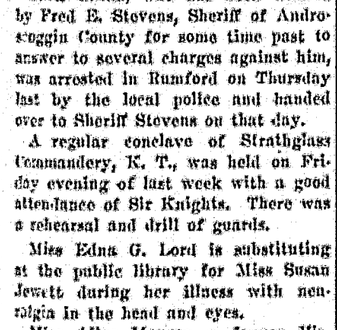
The ladies of the Searchlight Club are distributing red stockings to be filled for the many worthy boys and girls in this community. Over 100 were distributed last year, and the public responded most generously.

Mrs. J. E. Wesley Clark of York street entertained a few friends at a thimble party at her home on Friday afternoon in honor of Miss Mary Hegarty. A very pleasant afternoon was passed, and most delicious refreshments of blushing bunny, olives, coron, cake and bon bons were served by Mrs. Clark during the afternoon.

Rev. H. B. Mitchell of Waterville preached at the Baptist Church on Sunday last.

A departure from the usual Christmas observances will be taken by the Sunday school of the Methodist Church this year. In addition to the regular Christmas exercises and tree of the Primary Department and the annual Christmas concert, which will be rendered on Sunday night, Dec. 20th, the Junior and Intermediate and Senior departments will engage in a "Giving Christmas," the idea being to emphasize the value of giving to the unfortunate. Gifts of money, clothing, provisions, etc., will be distributed by the teachers and others to the worthy poor of the local community and help to make happy which otherwise would know no true Christmas.

A memorial service was held on Sunday afternoon at Cheney Opera House by the B. P. O. E. It was a most impressive service, and was attended by a large number of people.



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ANDOVER

Walter Barnes was in Portland, Friday, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Jackson, who have spent the summer in Andover, will leave town, Thursday for Brookline their winter home.

Richard Talbot and little daughter from Augusta have been in town this week visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Akers visited their daughter, Mrs. Ellery Merrill and family, at Rumford Point, Sunday.

Chas. Burditt and son were in town from Rumford, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Coburn returned from Bethel, Friday, accompanied by Mr. Coburn's mother, who will remain with them this winter.

The Young People's Whist Club was organized last Thursday evening with thirty-two members present. The officers elected were: H. M. Thomas, President, and Arthur Lang, Treasurer. Whist was enjoyed and Mrs. Chas. Learned and Guy Morton were the winners of the first prizes, and Eola Hewey and Webster Akers the consolation prizes. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served.

Bert Hanson is working in the woods for Bert Dunn at the Surplus.

Grace Mitchell was the guest of Dorothy Akers, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Talbot from Providence, R. I., have been visiting his father, John F. Talbot. Their little son, Frederick, has been quite ill with bronchitis since coming to Andover.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational Church realized $60 from their sale last Wednesday evening.

Jesse Glover is cutting wood for Sylvanus Learned.

Mrs. Abbie Poor returned from Rumford the first of the week and is occupying her house on Main street.

Chas. Howe from Rumford was in town, Saturday evening, with his moving pictures.

Ralph Hewey, who is attending a boys' school at Sherbrooke, Quebec, is expected home for the Christmas holidays.

Young A. Thurston was in Portland, Tuesday and Wednesday, on business.

Miss Evelyn Smith has been quite ill.

Arthur Clark had a narrow escape from serious injury, Saturday, while felling a tree at So. Andover. He was knocked down, striking his head and neck on a tree.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club was organized Friday evening at Mr. C. A. Rand's house, where it will meet this season. Whist was played, the first prizes were won by Mrs. Y. A. Thurston and F. P. Thomas, Mrs. Ada Merrill and Chas. Poor winning the consolation prizes. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served.

Rev. Geo. Graham preached an interesting sermon at the Congregational Church, Sunday morning.

Mr. H. C. Ellis, agent for the Rexall remedies, was in town last week with his goods.

A game of basket ball between the Mexico High school and the Andover boys was played in the hall, Friday evening, resulting in a victory for the home team.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Glover were guests, Sunday of her parents, Sylvanus Learned and wife.

Wirt Lovejoy is at Welchville helping his brother, Purl Lovejoy, get out some lumber.

Lone Mt. Grange will meet Saturday for its annual election of officers. A dinner will be served at noon by the committee.

Fred Glover has a crew of men working for him in the woods at the Emerson farm.

The annual meeting of the Andover Hook and Ladder Co. was held at the Company's hall, Monday evening. There were twenty-two members present. The following officers were elected and committees appointed:—Henry L. Poor, Foreman; H. A. Graves, Asst. Foreman; F. T. Poor, Secretary and Treasurer; James Newton, Steward; Committees, C. T. Poor, Y. A. Thurston, Sam Marston, Entertainment; Joel Morton, Frank Akers, Oscar Lamon, Refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Akers motored to Rumford Falls one day last week to visit with their daughter, Mrs. Richard Talbot and family.

Miss Ethel McAllister has some nice Christmas goods displayed at her store.

Clerk: "Mr. Brown, I should like to ask for a raise in my wages, I've just been married."

Mr. Brown: "Very sorry, my dear man, but I can't help you. For accidents which happen to our employes outside of the factory, we are not responsible."

WEST PARIS.

H. W. Dunham is ill of pneumonia. He has a trained nurse from Portland.

Mrs. H. Farrar received a large post card shower, Friday from the Rebekahs and other friends.

Rev. and Mrs. Dwight A. Ball were at Cornish, Tuesday and Wednesday, called there by the death of Mrs. Ball's cousin.

Mrs. Eva Swift is working at V. E. Ellingwood's and Dale is staying there with her.

Mary E. Backnam went to Dorchester last week. Her son's wife, Mrs. Clarence Curtis, is ill and is receiving treatment at a hospital in Newton, Mass.

The young people of the Free Baptist Sunday school held a supper and social, Tuesday evening, which was well attended.

Frank Small of Berlin, N. H., was in town on business, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Willis are with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lorraine F. Willis.

Miss Eleanor B. MacGregor and Leo Lyons of Portland are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin J. Mann.

GOVERNMENT ADVICE FOR POULTRY SHIPPERS.

The fact that it will soon be one year since the calamitous dressed poultry season of 1913 wrecked many handlers of poultry, sent tens of thousands of pounds of chickens, turkeys, ducks, and geese to the crematory, and left the consumer with such a strong aversion to the taste of the poultry that reached the market in "off" condition that sales have suffered ever since, is being used as the text of the sermon which experts in poultry handling in the Department of Agriculture at Washington are preaching to poultry shippers all over the country.

Shippers agree that the spoilage of dressed poultry during the autumn of 1913 was unparalleled, and that the rest of the year has been, financially, one of the worst on record despite the scarcity of meat. Specialists in the department consider that the blame rests chiefly upon the man who killed, picked, chilled, and packed the poultry, and sent it to market. This man bought the birds alive, hence they were not decayed when he got them. The railroads, in general, have worked diligently at their refrigerator lines, and it is well known that shippers who packed their goods properly found the railroad service last autumn sufficiently satisfactory to deliver the product in good order. The receivers of poultry were hunting for stock that could be sold to a high-class trade—but the inspector did not have to look far for poultry that was absolutely unfit for food.

The department accompanies its words of warning with words of advice to the poultry dressers, telling them how to handle the birds to insure high quality and a minimum change in composition.

First. The packer, as soon as the birds are received, should transfer them to "holding batteries," which are really coops so constructed that only a few birds are in the same compartment. All have an equal chance to get food, each has an abundance of fresh air, and absolute cleanliness is easily maintained.

Second. For 24 hours before killing the bird is not fed but is given plenty of clean water. In this way the crop is emptied and the flavor of the flesh is improved, as well as its keeping quality. Of course, the bird does not weigh as much when emptied of food, but it is better to be paid for a few less pounds of poultry than to receive only a freight bill.

Third. Killing should be done by cutting the veins of the neck from inside the mouth while the bird is suspended by the feet (Circular 61 of the Bureau of Chemistry gives the details of how to bleed and to "brain"); that is to loosen the feather muscles so that the birds may be dry picked, not scalded. Scalded birds have their keeping quality greatly reduced.

Fourth. Holding the bird while removing the feathers is best accomplished by the "frame" method. The second best way is what is known as the "string" method, and the worst methods are the "bench" and "lap."

Fifth. After the birds are bled and picked the animal heat must be removed. The best method of doing so is to hang them, head downward, in a room having a temperature between 30 degrees and 35 degrees F., where they should remain for 24 hours. The temperature must not go above 35 degrees, nor below 29 degrees, and the atmosphere can not be depended upon to remain within these limits, hence mechanical refrigeration is an absolute necessity. If the packers last season had adhered to this one regulation, it is safe to assert that the inspectors in the markets would have had to hunt a long time for a "green-struck" or "off-conditioned" chicken. Putting the birds in cold water or water and ice to cool them is unredeemably bad, and packing in fine ice with a heavy lump of ice on top of the barrel is a continuation of an unreliable and often very disastrous method.

Sixth. Pack the chilled birds in standard boxes (12 to the box) or in small kegs, if they are not to be hard frozen, and see that each bird in the package is an exact match in quality, size, color, and perfection of dressing for every other bird. This is the height of the art of "grading."

Seventh. Have the refrigerator car in which the dry-picked, dry-packed poultry is to be shipped iced with a mixture of broken ice and 10 to 15 per cent of salt for 24 hours before loading. When loaded, the temperature of the car midway between the doors, 6 feet from the floor, must not exceed 35 degrees F. To insure the best of handling during transportation, dressed poultry should be shipped in car lots. If you can not get the minimum quantity for a car lot yourself, get together with other near-by shippers and make up a joint car. You may have to buy some hatchets, but that is better than having your bank account snowed under. Get together.

Remember that every bad chicken sold hinders or prevents the sale of a number of good chickens. The housewife remembers only that her family did not like her choice of food. Generally, she does not know whether the bird was dry picked or scalded, dry packed or iced. What she wants is a fine-flavored product. Your product may be good, but if your neighbor's is bad yours will also suffer. Get together. In this emergency the good of one is the good of all.

Circulars 61, 64, and 70, Bureau of Chemistry, and Yearbook article No. 691, all dealing with the handling of dressed poultry, will be sent on application to the Department of Agriculture at Washington as long as the supply for distribution lasts.

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Election Day.

Elaine had moved into a state
Where women had the vote,
She said that it was "simply great"—
Her very words we quote.

She started early, as she'll swear,
But wore a bobbie gown,
Her pace was slow; when she got there
The polls were closing down.

They gave her half a minute's grace;
So ladies, please take note,
A tight gown, as in this girl's case
May nearly lose your vote.

PINES ATTACKED BY NEW DANGEROUS EUROPEAN INSECT.

The Department of Agriculture at Washington is calling attention to the introduction and establishment in America of the European pine-shoot moth, which threatens to cause serious loss. This insect is a small orange-red moth, the larva of which hollows out new buds and kills or injures the ends of twigs of pine trees. This injury causes a deformity which is serious in ornamental trees, and in trees grown for lumber makes a crooked growth and a consequent waste when the tree is cut.

In Europe the insect not only attacks all native pines but is equally injurious to American species cultivated there. The department states that the young larvae came into this country within the buds on imported pine seedlings which have come from France, England, Holland, Belgium, or Germany. The department's investigators have discovered it in only 10 localities, in 6 States from Massachusetts to Pennsylvania, but it is likely that it may be found in other localities. It has not been found in any native trees in the forest, and with only one exception has always been on European pines in nurseries and private parks. There is no evidence to indicate that it has been in this country more than a year except on Long Island, where it has existed for more than two years.

There are several native pine-shoot moths, but none of them inflicts the serious injury of the European species.

The department hopes that the new pest may be stamped out before it becomes too widespread to be controlled. At present the problem of its elimination is confined mainly to nurseries, but if it once gets into the native pine forests the experts think that it would be beyond control. In its larval stage the moth is so effectively protected in the buds and shoots that it can not be reached by any insecticide, and the only method of getting rid of it is to prune out and destroy the shoots which contain the insect. This should preferably be done during the fall and winter. Though it is easier to locate the injured tips and shoots after growth has started in the spring, it is safer and better for the tree to have it done in the fall. Measures for control to be effective can not be accomplished without the cooperative action of all who grow or plant European pines or deal in them.

Further information in regard to the insect may be obtained by application to the Bureau of Entomology, Washington, D. C.

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If you lose or if you win.
If you're up, smile as you go,
Cheer the fellow down below;
If you're down, then keep on grinning,
Folks will think you're really winning.

Take the old world with a smile,
Figure everything worth while.
If you're up, let people know it,
And a smile's the way to show it;
If you're down, smile just the same—
That's the way to play the game.

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A VOICE FROM THE POORHOUSE.

My dear friend, said the doctor,
I favor license for selling of rum,
These fanatics tell us with horror
Of the mischief liquor has done.
I say, as a man and physician,
The system's requirements are such
That unless we at times resist nature
The body and mind suffer much
'Tis a blessing when worn out and weary
A moderate drink now and then.
From the minister by the pulpit
Came an audible murmur: Amen!
'Tis true that many have fallen,
Become filthy drunkards and worse,
Harmed others? No, I don't uphold them,
They made their blessing a curse.
Should be denied for their sinning?
Should the weak ones govern the
strong?
Why every good thing God has given
Is only a curse out of place.
The only excuse that destroys us,
A little in good rule and then
From the white horse, pass, oh, a
curse!
Came a fervent, God-spoken Amen!
A [illegible] form from the pulpit,
From the midst of that listening
throng.
They had come from their homes
With the purpose to vouch out and
trample out wrong.
But this time-honored worthy plays
game.
Reason partly in prison and purse,
Has shown to the dawn of darkness
A blessing instead of a curse.
And now they were eager, impatient
To vote when the moment would
come,
They thought it their right and duty
To license the selling of rum.
Then up from a seat in the corner,
From the midst of that listening
throng
Who had come from their homes with
a purpose
To vouch out and trample out wrong,
Rose a woman; her thin hands uplifted
And cast from her frost-covered hair
Gazed a face of such agonized whiteness,
A face of such utter despair.
The vast throng grew hushed in a moment
Were silent with terror and dread,
Then gazed on the face of that woman
As we gaze on the face of the dead.
Then the hush and the silence were broken,
A voice so shrill and so clear
Rang out through the room. Look up on me,
You wonder what chance brought me here.
You know me and now you shall hear me,
I speak to you lovers of wine;
For once I was young, rich and had some,
Home, husband and children were mine.
Where are they? I ask you, where are they?
False teacher of God's holy word,
My husband, my kind, loving husband,
Whom my prayers and my care might have shared
Remembered your teachings, turned from me
Me mocking and jesting with him
Twas a God given blessing, you told him,
And only excess was sin.
And where are my boys? God forgive you.
They heeded your counsel, not mine
You, doctor, beloved and respected,
Said no danger in wine
For our boys so proud and so manly,
How could I hope ever to win
When their doctor said 'twas a fitting
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My husband, so much of earth's
[illegible]
Was false, as you all do know,
Then he able to be safe in the church
pews,
Each filling a drunkard's grave.
I have come from the poorhouse
To tell my story and now it is done
So all of you and in your madness,
And license the selling of rum
Before the great judgment eternal
When the last dread moment has
come,
They'll stand there to witness against
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My dear ones, the victims of rum.
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It is estimated to date that all the help subscribed in America—and it has been very liberal—including the aid of the wealthy Rockefeller Foundations does not average more than a few cents for each destitute Belgian—enough to buy food for a few days!

The Dollar Christmas Fund has one great ambition—to see that every man, woman and child this Christmas shall have food, clothing, shelter. This great achievement is happily still possible and to this end we are working with the Christmas Fund of London which has collected for the same purpose nearly $10,000,000. The cooperation of the two organizations has many decided advantages. It provides a safe guard against waste from overlapping. It enables our Fund to enjoy the guidance of members of the Belgian Government as regards the distribution of relief. All our workers are voluntary and every cent subscribed, after deducting the cost of stamps and station ery, goes direct to the Belgians.

Even if you have given to every other fund we beg you in the name of humanity to assist the Christmas Fund for which I appeal as Treasurer. Help to send a Christmas gift worthy of America—a tribute of sympathy from one people to another whose needs and sorrows are immeasurable.

If you realize that millions are literally faced with starvation, that children are still crying for food, shelterless women dragging their weary way to help, that aged men are homeless and shivering—and this despite all that is being done—you will give before Christmas and give liberally.

England has received 250,000 of the refugees but there are unnumbered thousands still wandering in France and Holland besides those in stricken Belgium.

A fresh inspiration to our own peaceful Christmas in America will be lent, if we relieve now the sufferings of innocent little children unoffending women and aged men and you may rest assured that no man's Christmas Day will be the less happy because in some cases the gift may entail some measure of personal sacrifice.

Let us remember at this crisis that "to pity distress is but human: to relieve it is Godlike."

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Notable speeches by notable men will characterize the eleventh annual convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress which convenes in Washington, D. C., December 9, 10 and 11, and from present indications the convention also promises to be notable in the number of accredited delegates appointed by governors of states, mayors of cities and commercial organizations of communities throughout the country which are interested in the development of waterways.

While the President will not officially welcome the delegates, a member of the Cabinet will be designated to represent the administration at the opening of the convention, as has been the custom since the Wilson administration began. Two foreign governments, China and Panama, will be represented by their envoys to the United States, these very latest republics being particularly in the public eye at the present time.

Without any attempt to classify the speakers as to relative importance of the subjects to be considered, two men will be listened to with marked attention, Col. George W. Goethals, the builder of the Panama Canal, and Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, the distinguished economist, who will speak on "Constructive cooperation vs. Cut-Throat Competition." Speaker Clark will also have something to say about the needs of improved waterways, while Senators Fletcher, of Florida, Sheppard, of Texas, Sanisbury of Delaware and Smith of Michigan, and Representative Baker, of California, will present their views with reference to the individual projects in which their states are interested and which were the subject of attack during the consideration of the last Rivers and Harbors bill.

Others on the program are ex-Governor Deneen, of Illinois, William A. Magee, ex-Mayor of Pittsburg, and Representative J. E. Hampton Moore, of Pennsylvania, and Peter G. Ten Eyck, of New York, Joseph N. Teal, of Oregon, who won a notable victory for the Pacific Northwest in the so-called Spokane rate cases, will discuss rail and water competition, while Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, will review the waterway legislation of the past twenty years with a view of drawing therefrom some valuable lessons for future legislation.

John A. Benhard, of New Orleans, will speak on "Our Inland Waterways," Perry A. Randall, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, on "The Necessity for Waterway Development," and the many friends of Capt. J. F. Ellison, the former secretary of the Congress, will be glad to hear him tell of his recent trip up the Amazon and its tributaries.

There will be three illustrated lectures during the convention, "New York's Barge Canal," by John A. Bensel, Chief Engineer of the Erie Canal, "Water Terminals," by Irving C. Norwood, of Davenport, Iowa, and "Some Picturesque Waterways of Europe," by Otis B. Kent, of Washington, D. C.

The evening of Thursday, the tenth of December, will be set aside as "Ladies' Night," addresses to be made by Mrs. Sarah Willard Stroat, President of the Woman's National Rivers and Harbors Congress, Mrs. John Dickinson Sherman, Chairman of the Conservation Department of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. William Cumming Story, President-General of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and Mrs. Julian Heath, President of the National Housewives League.

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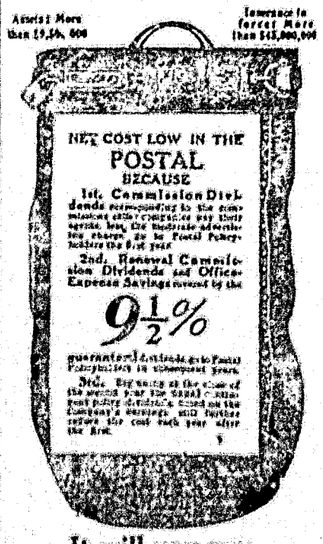

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Mr. Charles Brown, R. R. 4, Box 70, Rogersville, Tenn., writes: "I have tried many different remedies, but have found that Peruna is the greatest tonic on earth, and a perfect system builder."

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

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"It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work that they have thus far so nobly carried on. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us; that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to the cause for which they here gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that the dead shall not have lived in vain." And yet it is written that this is an uninteresting place.

Ford's Theatre closed as an amusement house the night Lincoln was shot. The government acquired the building, and used it for various offices purposes. On June 9, 1893, it became the scene of a second tragedy. Between 400 and 500 clerks were at work, when suddenly the three floors collapsed, and this great mass of humanity was pitched into the basement. Twenty-one were killed, and many more injured. Mr. A. G. Yount and Mr. L. A. Rosafy escaped death, and both carry scars as evidence of their injuries. This occurrence was due to insecure supports being supplied by contractors who were rearranging the floors and interior of the structure.

Ford's Theatre is an institution of the nation. Its outer walls afford the visitor that satisfies the tourist and the sightseer who takes a running look at things as he passes. There is no danger that it will be torn down or changed for a great many years, and meanwhile it will continue to serve as a habitation for government business, and thousands of strangers will pass it every week and be satisfied to behold the place from the outside. Across the street stands a little brick house, and in it there Abraham Lincoln died.

WHY OPTIMISM?

Extracts From Address by Geo. Otis Smith, Director, United States Geological Survey, American Mining Congress, December 8, Phoenix, Ariz.

Europe's war finds its echo in American industry. What contrast could be greater, on the one shore of the Atlantic all activity seemingly destroyed for human purposes, on the other shore, energy directed along constructive lines; absolute waste of life and property as opposed to production of wealth and betterment of life.

Even though it is at a distance that we view the terrible disaster that threatens the whole continent of Europe, optimism seems a hopeless creed for us or later this optimism must be followed by the years of repair, and the longer the period of destruction the greater will be the necessity for the reconstruction and development.

Where war has taken its toll of terrific speed, peace must build slowly.

The interruption of international trade stopped our exports of cotton and cotton and our imports of woolens and potash, whereby several important industries were well nigh paralyzed. Yet startling as has been this distortion of the whole balance of industry, certain fundamental facts and laws remain for us to build upon and indeed the lower course of foundation stones for optimism has already been laid.

Evidence of business betterment is before us on every hand, and the reasons for optimism are many. The United States farmer has harvested a five billion dollar crop and there is a high-price market for all our surplus food stuffs; already our grain is pouring across the Atlantic. The millions of men who are fighting are not working, and yet these hordes of soldiers must be clothed and equipped as well as fed. Foreign orders have started factory operation which at once tends to relieve the stagnation in the steam-coal trade, the steel situation has turned from serious depression to rapid improvement, and the whole mineral industry may soon expect to share in this general business improvement.

Today the financial horizon is so nearly cloudless that the prophets of bad weather have little upon which to base their predictions. The new federal banking system makes the money reserves mobile as never before, and extension of credit is now possible, without the veto power remaining in the hands of a small group of big men. Still another reason for belief in business betterment is the recognition, now becoming widespread, of the general interdependence of big business and the general public. On the one side, the people are realizing that they are and have been in reality the silent partner in big business, and now that there has come the promise of some regulation that will in large part prevent monopolistic centralization, the people are interested in getting their share of returns that can come only with operation at a profit. On the other hand, the managers of the large corporations, the trustees of the investing public, are beginning to see that a certain financial security goes with public confidence, and that the attitude to the public so tersely expressed 20 years ago by a pioneer in railroad financing does not pay dividends today.

Of course optimism is apt to go to extremes. Already we are hearing such expressions as "trade boom;" or "opportunity unparalleled in history" and "avalanche of prosperity," and even hardheaded business men are quoted as thus characterizing the present situation. All this kind of talk indicates that a period of overstimulation may threaten us, a condition that is somewhat symptomatic of the American temperament. The four months' record, however, can be summarized thus: While European countries have been mobilizing their armies and calling to the field of battle their reserves of soldiers, America has mobilized its credit and began to send forward to the market place its vast reserves of foodstuffs and mineral products.

Secretary Redfield recognizes three periods of business condition as naturally following the declaration of War on August 1 last—those of shock, stimulation and readjustment. These three must be expected to affect in the same order all branches of American business, though the transition from one period to the next may not be simultaneous to all branches. Thus for several weeks after war was declared, the exportation of wheat felt the shock and thousands of carloads accumulated at Eastern ports. With reform the period of shock has been longer, but stimulation of export has now begun. With [illegible] the resumption of sales to Europe will come slow in coming, but come it must, for in the modern world, whether at war or at peace the real social [illegible] necessary of life

As we look around the world we find that our commerce with South America for the last four years has [illegible] to the extent of an unfavorable annual trade balance of [illegible] millions of dollars. The fact that the balance of trade is against the United States in two of the three "A B C" countries should be taken only as an invitation to export more, and the six millions suggests the [illegible] for further development of trade relations. We need not go further than Argentina, for one from its hides, rubber and coffee from Brazil, and Venezuela, nitrate from Chile, platinum from Colombia, cocoa from Ecuador, coal from Peru, and [illegible] What can we export to us [illegible]

To [illegible] normal prosperity with [illegible] needs to export [illegible] rather than crude products and to import raw materials rather than manufactures. Betterment of industrial conditions can come best though expansion of manufacturing. The increase of the element of labor in the product exported will mean that we are not bartering away our heritage of natural resources but rather that we are using these resources as a basis simply for the expenditure of labor, which renews itself.

Coming down to bottom facts, the United States will profit by the European war only as the nation makes larger and wiser use of its mineral resources. Foreign markets in the main can be won and held only as the quantity or quality of the "Made in America" product rivals that of the goods offered by the other producing nations. The buyer, whether he be in the Far East or in South America, wants the most and the best for his money. Yet it would seem a safe rule of national conduct that industry should begin at home, and therefore every industrial opportunity in America should be improved. If these opportunities are recognized and grasped every one of us can indulge in optimism.

MASON.

Norman Sanborn is helping F. I. Bean on his water wheel.

Curtis Hutchinson and Evander Whitman had the good luck to get a large 12 point deer recently.

Harry Jenkins of Norway is in town on a hunting trip and has secured one deer so far.

Dr. Tibbetts of Bethel was at Moses Bennett's one day recently.

Nina Uffman and George Fifield call at Douglas Cushing's, Sunday.

Douglas Cushing and Curtis Hutchinson have been cutting wood for Henry Verrill.

Walter Hutchinson returned to his home in Newark, N. J., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Upton spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Portland, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Grover spent Thanksgiving in Sumner with Mrs. A. M. Gates and family.

H. B. Hastings has been hauling logs from the Brooks Mills place.

The Christmas Dinner.

In spite of the fact that the word Thanksgiving means literally fast-day, it will not be fine for many to let the Christmas dinner with little appetite and not be duly thankful to Nature. It may be fine for you to do that but we hope not for the sake of the cook. The dinner [illegible] and also a full stomach, not to mention a well [illegible] stomach there is nothing else equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla. It gives the stomach vigor and tone, makes digestion easier, appetite, and relieves eating a pleasure it should be. Adv.

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ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mrs. Emily Cook, who has been caring for her sister, Mrs. Mary Needham, went to her home in South Paris last week for a few days.

Capt. J. A. Brown of the Grand Rapids Fire Department, is to retire from the service. Capt. Brown has been a frequent visitor to Bethel and is a brother of Mr. N. P. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Packard and son, King, have returned from Mechanic Falls, where they have been spending a few weeks with Mrs. Packard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Dwinal.

Our hats are going fast—come and [illegible] while all millinery marked down. L. M. STEARNS, Adv.

GILEAD.

Dr. R. R. Tibbetts of Bethel was in this place recently.

Mrs. Josephine Wheeler is visiting her daughter, Mrs. B. E. Harriman, in Gorham, N. H., for a few weeks.

Dr. Merrill of Yarmouth and his nephew, Mr. Sweetsir, are spending a few days here at their camp while on a hunting trip.

Julia, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lozier, is seriously ill with bronchial pneumonia.

Benjamin Davis and wife of Minot are spending a few days at Libby's camp.

John Newell was in Gorham, N. H., recently.

Mrs. Frank Johnson was in Berlin, N. H., last week.

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BOWDOIN MEN HELP BELGIAN REFUGEES.

Send Old Clothes to Wounded in England.

Twenty five Bowdoin freshmen, members of one of the committees of the Y. M. C. A., have been busy this week collecting old clothes of all sorts. Every college man and each member of the faculty has been asked to give something. Already a tremendous pile has been gathered in one of the college buildings. These will be sent next week to Cambridge University, England, to clothe the thousand wounded and destitute Belgians who are being taken care of there. The Cambridge University men have filled their cricket buildings and hospital, and given all the money and clothes they can, and now are calling on American college men to help them. There are more Belgians now at Cambridge than students; over half the college body is at the front.

The American colleges are sending help in this time of need. Yale has raised eight thousand dollars for the Red Cross, and hopes to maintain a motor ambulance at the front; Princeton is supporting a nurse. Bowdoin men have already contributed to the Red Cross, so far as is known they are the first college men in New England to send clothes.

Old magazines have also been collected to send to the State Prison and Penobscot Indians' Missions. Last week [illegible] men provided Thanksgiving dinners for fifty poor people in Brunswick. Plans were just [illegible] the "Hunger Campaign" in January, when the Y. M. C. A. hopes to feed three hundred dollars for Armenia Hospitals, Red Cross, the Belgians must [illegible] in Belgium. [illegible] will be collected for Dr. Grenfell's work in Labrador.

Bowdoin men [illegible] in the service, nearly a dozen [illegible] each year [illegible] work of this sort.

[illegible] Bowdoin [illegible] these days for bacon being roasted and being kept in the water.

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1	Skimmer	7.00	1 2 Qt. Tea Pot 49.60
1	1 Qt. Mixing Bowl	8.35	1 2 Qt. Plain Percolator 50.00
1	1 Qt. Dipper	9.35	1 Dinner Pail 50.00
1	1½ Qt. Lipped Sauce Pan	9.40	1 Steamer Pail 55.60
1	Jelly Cake Pan	11.65	1 2 Qt. Fancy Percolator 66.60
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THE HONORED BIRTHDAY.

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what developed powers are his, what unfolded faculties, in what fair fields of effort and of growth he has found himself expanding since he went away.

The possibilities for our so young souls in God's boundless, resources of interest have grown visibly interesting as I have thought upon the great problem as new to be sure, and so I have been wondering. To wonder is to overcome.

Physicians tell us that when a little child grows from months into years with no awakening interest in the bright fire, or flower, or the song of the bird—that it must be sorrowfully acknowledged that such a poor little child is a defective. He has no capability to wonder at anything.

Maeterlinck, the great Italian statesman said, "A man knows nothing if he has not learned to wonder."

What I have thought of as a message for you today may surprise you. I hope it will waken wonder in your minds, and, later on, reverence in your souls.

I am going to tell you some things about our home. Did you know that you and I live on a little star called the Earth?

Already you are calling me with questioning looks. "What can Mrs. Gehring mean by calling this great round world of ours 'little.' Why it takes weeks and weeks to get around it by fast trains and steamers. There are wide oceans and seas, and lakes like seas, and long ranges of snow capped mountains. And why, with this teaching might we not see and be good and stay so friendly by night down the hill on a dark earth?

"Have we not been told that the wise scientific men who have spent their lives in studying its structure and its special forms of life say that there are depths below depths of knowledge that have never been reached in 'little dark earth's' history?"

You are now wondering and growing long. Perhaps you are saying, "This is a very important round world."

This is a marvellous earth. There is so much to know about in it, that we can never learn it all, and the more we know, the more eager we are to learn, and its value to us is beyond words to express.

The beautiful earth, with all its life and interests, is still only a dark star, depending upon the sun to make it possible for beasts and flowers, animals and people to live upon it, and is so small in comparison to the sun that its size is about that given of mountains. I [illegible] to a large apple, and the moon, which is our earth's obliging [illegible] making and always accompanies [illegible] about the sun, is [illegible] as a grain [illegible] apple. Now can you see [illegible] of our little earth.

[illegible] other planets seemingly [illegible] ground [illegible] even larger than ours, which is the third greatest, and some are far away from our earth so that all that we can observe about [illegible] of a star, and rather a small one at that. There are stars that are [illegible] thousands of times as large and heat as ours. But ours is just right for the use of our little dark star. Some give us flames and [illegible] heat [illegible] a little [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] and